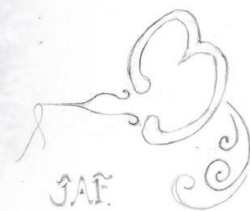


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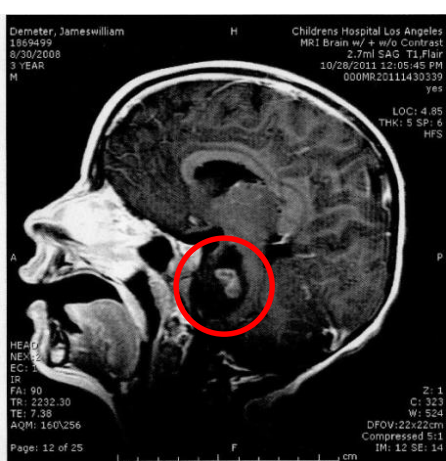


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About Pediatric Cancer, Brain Tumors, and **DIPG**

(Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma)

In children, brain tumors are the leading cause of cancer-related death. DIPG accounts for 80% of pediatric brain tumor deaths, and roughly 12% of pediatric brain tumor incidence. DIPG is the most devastating of pediatric malignancies; almost all children with this disease die within 2 years of diagnosis. Median survival time is 9 months; without treatment, they have weeks.*



- *Because the tumor is in the **pons** area of the brainstem, and diffuse in nature, surgical removal is not possible.*
- *No chemotherapy to date has affected the terminal prognosis.*
- *Radiation can provide short-term relief.*
- *Long-term survival rate is less than 1%.*
- *The causes are unknown.*
- *Little progress has been made in 30 years.*
- *Genomic testing of samples for research is urgently needed.*

*Statistical Sources:

<http://www.acco.org> AMERICAN CHILDHOOD CANCER ORGANIZATION; <http://www.curesearch.org> CureSearch; <http://www.stjudes.org> St. Jude's Research Center

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Our Mission: Hope for Survival. Though brain tumors are the leading disease-related cause of death in children, they are, like other childhood cancers, marginalized as “rare” and thus undeserving of research funding. There is an obvious disconnect in our representative democracy regarding funding of scientific research. Our children’s lives are coming 2nd at best to profits on research investment. **Only 4% of the National Cancer Institute’s annual budget for cancer research benefits children’s cancers as a whole.** Unconscionably, DIPG children and their families, mortified of the prognosis, are told that they simply must accept that the somehow necessary corporate investment profit incentives are more important than their children’s lives in our system in the United States of America. We are committed to affecting change in the experience of a family receiving a DIPG diagnosis for their beloved child, that there be active research and hope for survival. **We remain committed** to the fund for DIPG research, in Jack’s honor, at Children’s Hospital Los Angeles, and to the idea that DIPG research invariably benefits all of neuro-oncology and represents an important contribution to advances in medicine.